REMARKS

By the above amendment, the title of the invention has been amended so as to provide a title which is more clearly indicative of the invention, the specification has been amended so as to update the status of the parent applications in the Cross Reference to Related Applications, and page 6 has been amended to overcome the objection set forth by the Examiner.

Turning to the rejection of claims 1-8 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-15 of U.S. Patent No. 6,751,050 B1, as recognized by the Examiner, such rejection can be overcome by the filing of a Terminal Disclaimer. In order to expedite the prosecution of this application without acquiescing in the propriety of the rejection as set forth by the Examiner, applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer and the appropriate fee therefor, such that this rejection should now be overcome.

In view of the above amendments and remarks and the submission of the Terminal Disclaimer, applicants submit that this application should now be in condition for allowance, and issuance of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, applicant's petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (500.36906CX2) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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